



2024-25 Valley Center Stampede Rodeo Queen Pageant Rules and Contract

Eligibility

-Contestants shall agree to abide by all the rules and regulations set forth by the Valley Center Stampede Rodeo. Failure to meet the eligibility rules will result in disqualification.

-Contestants of the Valley Center Rodeo Queen title must be between the ages of 17 and 27 years at the time of the January 1st, 2024. Exceptions to the age criteria must be approved by the Rodeo Queen Board.

-Contestants of the Valley Center Rodeo Junior Queen title must be between the ages of 13 and 16 years at the time of the January 1st, 2024. Exceptions to the age criteria must be approved by the Rodeo Queen Board.

-Contestants of the Valley Center Rodeo Young Miss title must be between the ages of 9 and 12 years at the time of the January 1st, 2024. Exceptions to the age criteria must be approved by the Rodeo Queen Board.

-Contestants of the Valley Center Little Miss title must be between the ages of 5 and 8 years at the time of the January 1st, 2024. Exceptions to the age criteria must be approved by the Rodeo Queen Board.

-If a Contestant currently holds another Rodeo Queen Title and they win a 2024-25 Queen Title they must relinquish their other title and represent Valley Center Stampede Rodeo in events after June 8th, 2024. An exception will be made for the passing down of their previous title.

-Contestants must reside in San Diego or Riverside Counties. Exceptions may be made but must be approved by the Pageant Board.

-Contestants that are applying to Colleges, School, or Vocational Schools outside of San Diego County needs to let the pageant officials know before entering the Valley Center Rodeo Queen Pageant.

-Contestants who have been married or are married are **not eligible** for any Valley Center Stampede Rodeo Queen title.

-Contestants who have given birth (or are pregnant before or during their reign) are **not eligible** for any Valley Center Stampede Rodeo Queen title.

-All waivers must be signed and turned into pageant officials on or before the first rehearsal date.

-Contestants must pay a \$150 Entry Fee. The Entry Fee must be paid by April 10th, 2024. Contestants will also be required to obtain \$500 in Sponsorships. Sponsorship Money is due May 19th, 2024, Contestants will

be required to sale 10 tickets to the Pageant. Ticket money is due on June 5th, 2024. Checks can be made out to Valley Center Stampede Rodeo.

-Contestants must abide by all the Rules and Regulations set forth by the Valley Center Stampede Rodeo Queen Pageant.

Rules

-Contestants must conduct themselves in a lady like manner and portray a high standard of **moral** and **ethical** behavior befitting the title and setting a good example for our youth, to the public and future competitors.

-Contestants will not be permitted to drink alcoholic beverages, smoke, vape or use foul language at any time while representing the Valley Center Stampede Rodeo

-Contestants must provide their own wardrobe for all aspects of the pageant and must follow the wardrobe guidelines.

-Contestants, Parents, Guardians or Assistants are not allowed to approach Judges with the intent to influence or harass. Action of this type will be reported to the Valley Center Pageant Committee and disqualification could result.

-All contestants are required to draft a speech that is 2 to 4 minutes in length. The use of note cards and props is not permitted. The topic of the speech will be picked by the committee and will be shared with all contestants.

-All contestants will be asked impromptu questions during the horsemanship, interview, and during the pageant.

-Contestants will take a written test and a study guide for the test is provided. During the test there will be no talking, or use of any other written material.

-Contestants must provide a horse to be ridden during the horsemanship portion of the competition. All mounts must be under control by the contestant. Trainers will be allowed to attend the horsemanship rehearsals. Trainers are not allowed to discuss a contestant's ride at the rehearsal. They must use their own time to critique the ride.

-Contestants may not share horses. An exception may be made if siblings are competing in separate categories.

-Contestants must portray sportsmanship, high morals, and good ethical character at all times.

-Contestants must be willing to act as a role model to the youth of Valley Center and surrounding communities.

-If there is a tie in scoring in any age category, the tie will be broken by the horsemanship scores. The contestant with the higher score in horsemanship will receive the higher ranking.

-Judging will examine the areas of horsemanship, appearance, and personality.

-In the event that the wrong contestant is awarded prizes she must return the prizes and said prize will be given to the correct contestant.

-Any contestant that demonstrates any unsportsmanlike behavior will not be allowed to compete in future Valley Center Stampede Rodeo Queen Pageant. This includes unsportsmanlike behavior of the contestant's family or friends.

-All Judge's decisions are final.

-Once crowned the Queens agree to make a reasonable number of appearances throughout the year, including community events, as well as numerous rodeos and parades. Queens are encouraged to participate in community service and promote rodeos.

-The 2024-25 Queen Court is **REQUIRED** to represent the Valley Center Stampede Rodeo at the Valley Center Stampede Rodeo that is held Memorial Day Weekend. They must also attend the Valley Center Parade and participate in school visits and promotional events prior to the Valley Center Stampede Rodeo. They will also be asked to attend other events throughout the year.

-2024-25 V.C Stampede Rodeo Queens must be willing to travel around Southern California to rodeos and related events to act as an ambassador on behalf of the Valley Center Stampede Rodeo. They must provide their own transportation to events.

-2024-25 V.C. Rodeo Queens must arrive at events at the time set by the Queen Director.

-2024-25 V.C. Rodeo Queens may not pose in compromising positions.

-When using social media 2024-25 V.C. Stampede Rodeo Queens will not post or comment on inappropriate things. They must keep in mind that they are role models and need to act accordingly.

-If for any reason a 2024-25 V.C. Stampede Rodeo Queen cannot fulfill their reign they will return all gifts and the runner up will be awarded the title.

-Prior to the 2026 V.C. Rodeo Queen Pageant the 2024-25 V.C. Rodeo Queens will return chaps, vest, saddle drape and crown. Items need to be returned clean and in good working order.

Release of Liability

In consideration of the acceptance of the foregoing entry, it is understood and agreed that I/we are aware of the risk and exposure to personal injury involved through horsemanship activities, and I hereby release the VALLEY CENTER STAMPEDE RODEO and the officers and members thereof, and each of them from all and every claim for damages which may be suffered by me or them or any of them because of any matter, thing or condition, negligence or default whatsoever, and I hereby assume and accept the full risk and danger of any hurt, injury or damage which may occur through or by reason of any matter, thing, condition, negligence or default, and/or any person or persons whatsoever, in the exhibitions, sports, contests and parades, or any of them held or given by or under direction of said association.

The undersigned does hereby agree to these conditions.

Contestant Signature

Date

Parent Signature (if contestant is under 18 years of age)

Date